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A.—(*a*) There is no Government Order numbered 723, Public, and dated 4th October 1926.

(*b*) The Government have not appealed against the judgment of Mr. Justice Waller in C.S. No. 650 of 1927 on the file of the High Court, Madras. Copies of the judgment were printed and communicated to Heads of Departments for information.

Motor Vehicles Act

Revision of the rules under the Motor Vehicles Act.

* 654 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Committee appointed to revise the rules under the Motor Vehicles Act have submitted their recommendations to the Government; and

(*b*) whether they have suggested any measures to reduce the number of motor accidents; and, if so, what action Government propose to take in this matter?

A.—(*a*) The sittings of the Committee have been postponed pending the receipt of the Standardized Motor Vehicles Rules which the Government of India have under contemplation.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan:—"May I ask whether the Government will be pleased to consult organizations of owners of motor vehicles which will be affected by these rules?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Mahomed Usman Sahib Bahadur:—"The sittings of this committee have been postponed on account of the fact that the Government of India have summoned a committee including one or two representatives from Madras for considering the question of standardizing the Motor Vehicles Rules. Only after that committee has come to some decision we can take up the question whether this committee should sit or not. Everything will be considered after we know the decision of the Government of India."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan:—"If there is any need for this committee to sit, will the Government consider my suggestion?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Mahomed Usman Sahib Bahadur:—"The request of the hon. Member will be borne in mind."

Police

Oriya Deputy Superintendents of Police.

* 655 *Q.*—Sriman M. G. Patnaik Mahasayo: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state how many of the Deputy Superintendents of Police in the Presidency are Oriyas?

A.—None.

Sriman M. G. Patnaik Mahasayo:—"May I know why no Oriya was appointed?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Mahomed Usman Sahib Bahadur:—"Because no suitable candidate was available."